

**SUPPORT FOR THE RETENTION OF THE GENERIC
NAMES "CRANGON" WEBER, 1795, AND "CRAGO"
LAMARCK, 1801 (CLASS CRUSTACEA, ORDER DECA-
PODA): OBJECTION TO PROPOSAL SUBMITTED BY
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I am still hoping that there may be an opportunity for the weight of opinion to insure the retention of the use of *Crangon* Weber for *Alpheus* and *Crago* Lamarck for the genus formerly known as *Crangon*. I was much impressed by a survey made by Dr. Chace as long ago as 20th October.⁴ It bears out my opinion of the feelings of the majority of the carcinologists and especially of American workers. Taxonomists have been accused of never being happy unless they could change names, but in this case a majority opinion should have some weight.

**SUPPORT FOR THE PROPOSAL SUBMITTED BY DR.
L. B. HOLTHUIS REGARDING THE NAMES "CRANGON"
FABRICIUS, 1798, AND "ALPHEUS" FABRICIUS, 1798
(CLASS CRUSTACEA, ORDER DECAPODA)**

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I have just received a paper from Dr. L. B. Holthuis of Leiden (1951, *Bull. zool. Nomencl.* **2**: 69-72) on the proposed use of the plenary powers to validate the generic name *Crangon* Fabricius, 1798, for the Common Shrimp and the generic name *Alpheus* Fabricius, 1798, for the Snapping Shrimps (Class Crustacea, Order Decapoda), and I wish to state that I heartily agree with his views.

⁴ For Dr. Chace's survey here referred to, see pp. 76-78.